IN THE CLAIMS:

A method for the treatment or prevention of an 1. (Currently Amended)

angioproliferative condition which comprises administering to a patient experiencing said

angioproliferative condition a pharmaceutically effective amount of a Porphyromonas

gingivalis cysteine protease selected from the group consisting of PrtP, HagA, a HagArep

HArep1, HArep2, HArep3, and HArep4 peptide, a fragment or active site thereof to exert

an angiostatic effect.

2. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein said angioproliferative condition

is a carcinoma, sarcoma, melanoma, ocular retinopathy, retrolental fibroplasias, psoriasis,

angiofibromas, endometriosis, hemangioma, rheumatoid arthritis, capillary proliferation

within atherosclerotic plaque, or a combination of such disorders.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Canceled)

5. (Canceled)

6. (Withdrawn) A composition for treatment or prevention of an angioproliferative

condition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a proteinase and an

excipient for administration to a patient afflicted with said angioproliferative disorder.

7. (Withdrawn) The composition according to claim 6 wherein said angioproliferative

condition is a carcinoma, sarcoma, melanoma, ocular retinopathy, retrolental fibroplasias,

psoriasis, angiofibromas, endometriosis, hemangioma, rheumatoid arthritis, capillary

proliferation within atherosclerotic plaque, or a combination of such disorders.

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8. (Withdrawn) The composition according to claim 6 wherein said proteinase is derived

from a bacterium.

9. (Withdrawn) The composition according to claim 8 wherein said bacterium is

Porphyromonas gingivalis.

10. (Withdrawn) The composition according to claim 9 wherein said protease is PrtP,

HagA, other P. gingivalis proteinase, a HagArep peptide, a fragment or active site thereof

or DNA.

11. (Currently Amended) A method for selectively treating an angioproliferative

condition which comprises contacting a vasculature supplying a biological structure

affected by said angioproliferative condition with an angiostatically effective amount of a

Porphyromonas gingivalis cysteine protease selected from the group consisting of PrtP,

HagA, a HagArep HArep1, HArep2, HArep3, and HArep4 peptide, a fragment or active

site-thereof.

12. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 11 wherein the basolateral

surface of said vasculature is contacted with the protease.

13. (Original) The method according to claim 11 wherein said angioproliferative

condition is a carcinoma, sarcoma, melanoma, ocular retinopathy, retrolental fibroplasias,

psoriasis, angiofibromas, endometriosis, hemangioma, rheumatoid arthritis, capillary

proliferation within atherosclerotic plaque, or a combination of such disorders.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Canceled)

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17. (Withdrawn) A method for potentiating the effects of a chemotherapeutically

effective agent which comprises co-administering said chemotherapeutically effective

agent in the presence of a protease effective to disrupt cell-cell adhesion, cell-matrix

adhesion, or both.

18. (Withdrawn) A method for preventing the implantation or sustenance of a fertilized

ovum which comprises administering an angiostatically effective amount of a proteinase

to a person in whom such preventing is required, sufficient to prevent formation of new

vasculature required for implantation or sustenance of said fertilized ovum.

19. (Withdrawn) A method for inhibiting vascular endothelial cell migration which

comprises contacting vascular endothelial cells with a molecule selected from the group

consisting of cysteine proteinase, HagA protein, HagA peptide, HagA-specific enzymatic

activity. HagA active site mimetic, HagA analog, and combinations thereof or DNA.

20. (Withdrawn) A method for reducing cell-cell adhesion, cell-matrix adhesion, or both,

which comprises contacting cells, matrix or both with an effective amount of a molecule

selected from the group consisting of a cysteine proteinase, HagA protein, HagA peptide,

HagA-specific enzymatic activity, HagA active site mimetic, HagA analog, and

combinations thereof or DNA.

21. (Withdrawn) A composition for treatment or prevention of an angioproliferative

condition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a proteinase and an

excipient for administration to a patient afflicted with said angioproliferative disorder.

22. (Withdrawn) The composition according to claim 21 wherein said angioproliferative

condition is a carcinoma, sarcoma, melanoma, ocular retinopathy, retrolental fibroplasias,

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psoriasis, angiofibromas, endometriosis, hemangioma, rheumatoid arthritis, capillary

proliferation within atherosclerotic plaque, or a combination of such disorders.

23. (Withdrawn) The composition according to claim 21 wherein said proteinase is

derived from a bacterium.

24. (Withdrawn) The composition according to claim 23 wherein said bacterium is

Porphyromonas gingivalis.

25. (Withdrawn) The composition according to claim 24 wherein said proteinase is PrtP,

HagA, other P. gingivalis proteinase, a HagArep peptide, a fragment or active site

thereof, or DNA.

26. (Withdrawn) A method for potentiating the effects of a chemotherapeutically

effective agent which comprises co-administering said chemotherapeutically effective

agent in the presence of a protease effective to disrupt cell-cell adhesion, cell-matrix

adhesion, or both.

27. (Withdrawn) A method for preventing the implantation or sustenance of a fertilized

ovum which comprises administering an angiostatically effective amount of a proteinase

to a person in whom such preventing is required, sufficient to prevent formation of new

vasculature required for implantation or sustenance of said fertilized ovum.

28. (Withdrawn) A method for inhibiting vascular endothelial cell migration which

comprises contacting vascular endothelial cells with a molecule selected from the group

consisting of cysteine proteinase, HagA protein, HagA peptide, HagA-specific enzymatic

activity, HagA active site mimetic, HagA analog, and combinations thereof or DNA.

29. (Withdrawn) A method for reducing cell-cell adhesion, cell-matrix adhesion, or both,

which comprises contacting cells, matrix or both with an effective amount of a molecule

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selected from the group consisting of a cysteine proteinase, HagA protein, HagA peptide,

HagA-specific enzymatic activity, HagA active site mimetic, HagA analog, and

combinations thereof or DNA.

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